

SEVERE LOCAL HAIL AND WIND STORMS, MARCH, 1926

The table herewith contains such data as have been received concerning severe local storms that occurred during the month. A more complete statement will appear in the Annual Report of the Chief of Bureau.

Place	Date	Time	Width of path	Loss of life	Value of property destroyed	Character of storm	Remarks	Authority
Milwaukee, Wis. Due West, S. C.	1 2	P. m.	Yards			Wind and snow High wind	Branches of trees broken; 10 accidents occurred. Doors blown off of reel house at station, auto tops damaged and telephone lines out of service.	Journal (Milwaukee, Wis.). Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
Tucson, Ariz. Iowa	5 5	1 p. m.				Heavy hail Snow and wind	Storm covered 15 blocks; no damage reported. Greatest damage in northern part; drifts retarded rail traffic and caused suspension of motor transportation.	Do. Do.
New Orleans, La.	10	3-3.30 p. m.				Wind	Telephone, electric light and street car service impaired; trees and fences blown down.	Do.
Wetsetka, Okla.	19	7.30 p. m.	3,570		\$50,000	Heavy hail	Considerable property and crop damage over path four miles long.	Do.
Navarro County, Tex.	21	2-2.30 a. m.	3-7 mi.			Severe wind and hail	Several buildings wrecked, others unroofed. Damage in Powell about \$11,000.	Do.
Palestine, Tex.	21	7.17 a. m. 5 p. m.				Thunderstorm	Roads and bridges washed out, causing delay to railway traffic.	Do.
Franklin, Tenn. East of Continental Divide, Mont.	22 23	P. m. P. m.			7,000 6,000	do. High wind	Church damaged. Buildings damaged or destroyed at Fort Benton, Billings, and Circle; considerable injury to winter wheat.	Do. Do.
Vincent, Tex. Orange County, Tex.	24 25	11.30 p. m. 8 a. m.	200 880		2,000 200,000	Small tornado Violent wind	Some damage to property. Greatest damage in oil fields where 138 derricks were demolished. Eight persons injured.	Do. Do.
Jacksonville, Fla., and vicinity. Salome, Ariz.	26 26					High wind and heavy rain. Heavy hail	Timber, telegraph and telephone lines prostrated. Small birds killed by stones; considerable damage to property and injury to fruit and vegetables.	Do. Do.
Tekamah, Nebr. (3 miles NW. of). Sacaton, Ariz.	27 28	1.30 p. m. 3.15-3.45 p. m.			100	Whirlwind	Framework of small barn wrecked; carpenter injured.	Do. Do.
Constellation, Ariz.	29	4.30 a. m.	3,520			do.	Severe damage reported.	Do.
Santa Rita Range Reserve, Continental, Ariz. Eastern and south-central counties, Kansas.	29 29-31	12-12.10 p.				Hail Snowstorm	Storm passed over mining and grazing districts; no damage reported. Slight damage to grasses and weeds.	Do. Do.
Liberty (3 miles east of) Liberty County, Texas. Sealy (near) to Wallis (near), Austin County, Texas.	30 30	3 a. m. 3-3.30 a. m.	266-633 440	2 2	200,000 30,000	Tornado do.	Train service greatly hampered, traffic on some lines completely stopped for a day or two. Many oil derricks and weak buildings destroyed; three persons injured.	Do. Do.
Harris and Jefferson Counties, Texas.	30	3-4 a. m.		1	1,770,000	Series of violent thunderstorms accompanied by hail and wind.	Coastal oil interest greatest losers; many homes and business houses damaged or demolished; a number of persons injured.	Do.
Lake Charles, La.	30	6 a. m.				Wind, rain, electrical, and hail.	Truck and early gardens beaten by hail.	Journal (Shreveport, La.).
Norwood, La.	30	7 a. m.				Wind	Almost every home damaged; upper story blown from factory and roof from cotton gin.	Do.
Meridian, Miss., and vicinity. Alexandria, La., and vicinity.	30 30	9 a. m. A. m.			30,000	Hail and wind Wind and hail	Windows broken, chimneys blown over, trees uprooted and a few frame buildings wrecked.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau. Journal (Shreveport, La.).
Independence, La.	30	do.				do.	Trees and signs damaged; church at Woodworth demolished.	Do.
Kinder, La. (3 miles north of).	30	do.				Tornadic wind	Several buildings unroofed; many autos damaged.	Do.
Southwest Georgia	30	10-12 p. m.			20,000	Tornadic wind	Farm home and school building demolished. Oak trees uprooted and pines twisted off over path 5 miles long. Three persons injured.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
Nashville, Tenn.	30	P. m.				Wind	A few small country residences and barns demolished; trees blown down; several persons injured.	Do.
Beauregard and Evangeline Parishes, La. Dilley, Tex. (vicinity of)	30 30					Wind and hail do.	Tin work torn from buildings; a number of light globes broken. Timber damaged, truck gardens injured.	Do. Do.
Mobile, Ala.	30	2.30 p. m.	166		5,000	Tornadic wind	Crops destroyed, necessitating replanting.	Do.
Pensacola, Fla. Central and northern Illinois	30 30-31				650	Wind Snow and wind	Two frame buildings demolished; chimneys and outhouses blown down, trees uprooted; some wire damage. Path about 2,200 feet.	Do. Do.
Iowa	30-31					do.	Lighter loaded with lumber sunk.	Do.
Alpena, Mich., and vicinity.	31					Wind and snow	Transportation greatly or entirely suspended in northern portion; many accidents reported.	Do.
Cambridge, Ohio (near). Evansville, Ind., and vicinity.	31 31					Wind and rain Wind	Greatest damage along Mississippi River, particularly at Dubuque; much inconvenience to every phase of life.	Do.
Ludington, Mich.	31					Wind and snow	Telegraph and telephone lines damaged; highways impassable, trains delayed.	News (Dayton, Ohio).
Parkersburg, W. Va.	31					Wind	A number of buildings damaged. Insecure fences, signs, and chimneys blown down; wires damaged by falling trees; river navigation interrupted.	Official, U. S. Weather Bureau.
							Highways obstructed; navigation partially suspended.	Do.
							Overhead wires damaged.	Do.